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Date: February 27, 1950

To: Director of Naval Intelligence
Department of the Navy
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Re: FRANK J. MALINA, wa.:
MARTIN SUMMERFIELD
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

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Reference is made to your memorandum of January 26, 1950, which furnished for the information of this Bureau a copy of a memorandum dated January 13, 1950, from the Chief, Bureau of Aeronautics, to the Chief of Naval Operations, (Op-321E). This memorandum was captioned "Malina, Frank J., aka Frank Parma; and Summerfield, Martin."

In paragraph 3 of this memorandum it is stated that investigation of both Malina and Summerfield is being conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

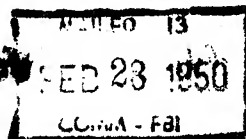
You are advised that investigation of Malina is no longer being conducted by this Bureau, inasmuch as he is presently residing in France and is employed with UNESCO at Paris. There is no indication that he is returning to the United States in the immediate future.

Your attention is called to the report of Special Agent Philip J. Reilly dated November 17, 1949, at Los Angeles, captioned "Martin J. Summerfield, Espionage - R." This report was furnished you on December 14, 1949, and was a pending report in the matter of Martin Summerfield.

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From: Director of Naval Intelligence.
To: Distribution List.

Subj: SALINA, Frank J., aka Frank PARIA;
and SUMMERFIELD, Martin.

Encl: (1) Copy Chief, BuAer ~~Comm~~ ltr., serial
0364, dated 13 January 1950, same subj.,
with enclosure thereto.

1. Enclosure (1) is forwarded herewith for information.
2. The Office of Naval Intelligence has been advised in-
formally that the Army-Navy-Air Force Personnel Security
Board has cleared SUMMERFIELD for access to work on
classified material up to and including Secret.

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In Reply Refer to:

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13 January 1950

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From: Chief, Bureau of Aeronautics
To: Chief of Naval Operations, (Op-321E)

Subj: Malina, Frank J., aka, Frank Parma; and Summerfield, Martin
(TC-48)

Ref: (a) BAR Pasadena Conf ltr Serial 470-Q dtd 25 Aug 1949

Encl: (1) Copy of BAR Pasadena Conf ltr serial 1-Q, dtd 5 Jan
1949 (1950)

1. It is believed that enclosure (1) contains information that should be incorporated in the files on the subject. It is noted that Mr. Malina, as a stockholder of Aerojet Engineering Corporation, once asked for and received an unclassified aerial photograph of the Aerojet plant.

2. Enclosure (1) mentions, as another minority stockholder of Aerojet Engineering Corporation, Martin Summerfield, employed on project Squid at Princeton University. Project Squid, now under the cognizance of the Office of Naval Research, originated in the Ships Installation Division of the Bureau of Aeronautics, under Admiral Calvin Bolster. It was later transferred to the Power Plants Division of the Bureau of Aeronautics, and finally to the Office of Naval Research, when Admiral Bolster was Assistant Director there. The present director of Project Squid, Dr. Frank A. Parker, was a reserve officer and worked on the project when it was under the cognizance of this bureau. It is suggested that any information available on Mr. Summerfield be brought to the attention of the Office of Naval Research, if such has not already been done.

3. Since the Bureau of Aeronautics Representative, Pasadena, is fully cognizant of this matter, and since the investigations on both subjects are being continued by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, no further action is contemplated by this bureau. Since the Bureau of Aeronautics Representative, Pasadena, has, by reference (a), advised the Bureau of Aeronautics that the entire Aerojet Plant is considered a Restricted area, it is suggested that, in continuing its investigation, the Federal Bureau of Investigation be asked to determine whether Mr. Malina, during his visit to the west coast in the summer of 1949, made any effort, as a stockholder and a former employee, to gain admittance to the plant.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT
Office of
BUREAU OF AERONAUTICS REPRESENTATIVE
15 South Raymond Avenue
PASADENA 1, CALIFORNIA

5 January 1949

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From: Bureau of Aeronautics Representative, Pasadena
To: Chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics
Attn: TD-5

Subj: Aerojet Engineering Corporation, Azusa, California (TC-9727)

Ref: (a) BuAer TD-57 Conf ltr 013581 of 30 Dec 1949

1. Reference (a) requested that discreet inquiries be made to determine the accuracy of information received by BuAer that Frank J. Malina has an "active interest in the affairs of" the subject company, and that BuAer be advised of the results of the inquiry.

2. BAR, Pasadena previously looked into this situation in June 1949 following release of Mr. Frank F. Oppenheimer's comments before the House Committee on Unamerican Activities. Following receipt of reference (a), current intelligence records were obtained from the Zone Intelligence Officer. Mr. T. E. Beehan, Secretary-Treasurer of Aerojet, was then questioned. Summary of the investigation follows:

(a) Malina is one of nine minority stockholders in the Corporation, being a founder. He holds fifty-six shares out of the total two thousand. The other minority stockholders have 328 shares among them and the General Tire and Rubber Company possesses the remaining 1616.

(b) Malina takes no part in the affairs of the company. He has not participated in any conferences or meetings for some years. In 1947 he was provided a summary of the annual stockholders' meeting with all references to classified material deleted. About the same time, it is understood, while on a trip here, he requested and was given a declassified aerial photograph of the plant. He received no financial or stock report a year ago, nor has any other report been forwarded to him. His only active interest thus seems to be in receipt of dividends.

3. A review of the Naval Intelligence report on Malina indicates that Martin Summerfield, also an Aerojet stockholder, and presently connected with Project SQUID at Princeton University, was a co-member with Malina of the Professional Section of the Los Angeles County Communist Party some years ago. Summerfield is now on leave of absence from the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, California Institute of Technology. It is suggested that the Office of Naval Intelligence be consulted as to desirability of further investigation in this matter.

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